

State of Illinois Uniform Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
Summary Information

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HUMAN SERVICES CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM

2783-2130

A. Program Description

This Notice of Funding Opportunity ("NOFO") sets forth the requirements of the **Human Services Capital Investment Grant Program** (the "Program"). This is a new initiative funded by DHS' operating funds and the Rebuild Illinois Projects Fund, Public Act 102-0017. It is authorized by the Program statute, 20 ILCS 605/605-1030, and the Program's administrative rules, which are currently pending at 14 Ill. Admin. Code Part 670 (published at 46 Ill. Reg. 665 on January 7, 2022):

https://www.ilsos.gov/departments/index/register/volume46/register_volume46_issue_2.pdf. The Program is a collaboration between the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity ("DCEO" or the "Department") and the Department of Human Services ("DHS"), and the purpose is to make Capital Improvement grants to Human Services Providers serving Low-Income and Marginalized populations. (See Appendix A for definitions of capitalized terms in this NOFO.)

DCEO and DHS have entered into an intergovernmental agreement for the following purposes: (1) for DHS to provide funds to DCEO for the administrative expenses grant award described herein; and (2) for DCEO and DHS to collaborate and cooperate on the establishment and administration of the Program.

Through this NOFO, DCEO seeks one grantee to serve as an Intermediary to implement and administer the Program for eligible Capital Improvement Projects of Human Services Providers throughout the State. The Intermediary grantee must have the capacity to receive and review applications, and issue and oversee subawards to Human Services Providers for Capital Improvement Projects. Specifically, the successful Intermediary grantee will be responsible for evaluating and selecting project applications from eligible Human Services Providers located in Illinois, disbursing grant funds, and overseeing these projects to ensure compliance with all applicable laws and program requirements.

1. Two Program Components

The successful Intermediary will be awarded funds in the form of two (2) grants issued by DCEO.

1. **Administrative Expenses Grant Award**

Up to \$1,500,000 for administrative expenses incurred by the Intermediary will originate from DHS' operating funds, funded by Public Act 102-0017.

- These funds shall be used to reimburse the Intermediary's costs of administration of the subawards, including technical assistance. Allowable costs include those for activities covered in the following categories:
 - Personnel wages
 - Personnel fringe benefits
 - Employee travel within Illinois
 - Contractual/Subaward (if necessary and reasonable to carry out the terms of the award)
 - Consultant (if necessary and reasonable to carry out the terms of the award)
 - Supplies
 - Telecommunications
 - Occupancy (Rent & Utilities)
 - Direct administrative costs
 - Indirect costs
 - Other miscellaneous costs, which are necessary, reasonable and allocable to the grant award.
- Intermediaries are not permitted to expend grant funds from the administrative expenses grant on Capital Improvement projects expenditures set forth in number 2, below, or on the acquisition of land or

a building or site selection. DCEO will release grant funds to the Intermediary in the amount needed to commence administration of the subaward projects, and the remaining funds shall be paid through reimbursement after the Intermediary presents to DCEO sufficient supporting documentation of expenditures for eligible activities.

- DCEO anticipates that the term of the Intermediary agreement will be one to two years. There is the possibility of a grant extension based on performance and subject to appropriation of funds by the General Assembly.
- No cash match is required for the Intermediary administrative expenses grant award.

2. **Capital Improvement Projects Award for Subawards to Human Services Providers**

Up to \$15,000,000 for subawards to Human Services Providers ("subrecipients") for Capital Improvement projects will originate from the Rebuild Illinois Projects Fund, funded by Public Act 102-0017. The following requirements apply to the permitted projects and expenditures of the subrecipients, for which the Intermediary will be required to ensure compliance.

- "Capital Improvement" means a project with a purpose to physically expand or physically improve upon a facility owned or leased by a human services provider. Eligible activities do not include the purchase of land or a building, conducting site selection or improvements made to a personal residence even if it is used by the Human Services Provider to perform services.
- Allowable costs for subawards to subrecipients include those for activities covered in the following categories:
 - Design/Engineering (limited to 10-15% of total grant budget)
 - Wiring/Electrical
 - Equipment/Materials/Labor
 - Paving/Concrete/Masonry
 - Construction Management/Oversight (limited to 10-15% of total grant budget)
 - Mechanical System
 - Excavation/Site Preparation/Demolition
 - Plumbing
 - Other Construction Expenses
 - Contingency (limited to maximum 10% of total grant budget)
- Administrative and operational expenditures, including, but not limited to, utilities, personnel, fringe benefits, insurance, indirect costs and debt obligations are ineligible.
- Subject to DCEO approval, the Intermediary may be permitted to release a working capital advance of two months expenditures to subrecipients if during the application process the subrecipient demonstrates a need for funds to commence a project. The remaining funds must be paid through reimbursement after the subrecipient presents sufficient supporting documentation of expenditures for eligible activities.
- No cash match is required for the subaward projects.

- Subaward projects must be completed by the end of the subaward term, which must be within the term of, or coterminous with, the Intermediary administrative expenses grant award.
- DCEO anticipates that the term of this grant agreement will be one to two years. There is the possibility of a grant extension based on performance and subject to appropriation of funds by the General Assembly.

2. Scope of Work for the Intermediary Administrative Expenses Grant Award

The primary responsibilities of the Intermediary will be to work with DCEO and DHS to post the notice of funding opportunity for the subawards, receive and review applications, issue and administer subawards to Human Services Providers with oversight from DCEO and DHS, and provide technical assistance to Human Services Providers both before the application process and to subrecipients throughout the program term in a manner that does not create a conflict of interest.

The following will be required of the Intermediary:

1. Evaluating and selecting project applications from eligible Human Services Providers (see A.2.A, below) for eligible Capital Improvement projects (see A.2.B, below) through a competitive process approved by DCEO and DHS.
 - The Intermediary will be responsible for having an application intake system and a system for evaluating whether subaward applicants meet all program requirements and then make recommendations for awards to DCEO and DHS which will make the final determinations.
 - DCEO and DHS will approve of all Intermediary documentation and procedures used for the subaward process, including, but not limited to: technical assistance materials; application and budget materials; reporting forms; merit-based review tools; and subaward agreements.
 - The minimum grant subaward amount shall be \$50,000 and the maximum subaward amount shall be \$250,000.
 - Subawards should be issued in or about September to October 2022 and must be completed and closed out by the end date of the Capital Improvements grant awarded to the Intermediary.
2. Issuing subaward agreements and disbursing grant funds to selected subrecipients.
3. Collecting and evaluating required documentation from subrecipients to ensure project work is for appropriate uses and complies with applicable laws and requirements.
4. Reviewing expenditures of subrecipients to ensure they are eligible.
5. Conducting monitoring reviews of subrecipients.
6. Complying with the requirements for pass-through entities set forth in 2 CFR 200.332, as applicable.

7. Engaging in technical assistance, in a manner that avoids a conflict of interest, with applicants and subrecipients as needed or requested by DCEO or DHS, including but not limited to, technical assistance webinars and one-on-one assistance.
 - Within one month after the award of this grant, the Intermediary will be required to provide one or more webinars to prospective subaward applicants that explains the program, eligibility, and compliance requirements.
 - DCEO will also require additional technical assistance training by the Intermediary for subrecipients regarding subaward administration, expectations, and reporting.
8. Reporting to DCEO on both the Intermediary activities and expenditures and the subaward projects' activities and expenditures.
9. Retaining all supporting documentation from the subrecipients through the appropriate records retention period (see Section H, below).

Requirements for the Human Services Providers Subawards

The Intermediary will be responsible for managing the subaward program by complying with the requirements stated below.

A. Eligibility of Human Services Providers for Subawards

"Human Services Provider" means a Not-for-profit Corporation in good standing to operate in the State of Illinois that provides services directly to Low-income or Marginalized populations in one of the core program divisions of DHS—mental health, rehabilitation services, substance use prevention and recovery, family and community services, developmental disabilities, and early childhood. A "Human Services Provider" is not required to be a current or former recipient of grant funds from DHS. A "Human Services Provider" includes, but is not limited to, domestic violence shelters; rape crisis centers; comprehensive youth centers; Teen Responsibility, Education, Achievement, Caring and Hope (Teen REACH) providers; supportive housing providers; developmental disability community providers; behavioral health providers; and other Community-Based Providers [20 ILCS 605/605-1030(a)].

A Human Services Provider is **eligible** to receive a grant subaward through the Intermediary if the provider:

1. offers services within Illinois in a manner that supports and fulfills the mission of DHS;
2. has delivered services for a minimum of two years directly to Low-income or Marginalized populations in Illinois in at least one of the core program areas of DHS—mental health, rehabilitation services, substance use prevention and recovery, family and community services, developmental disabilities, and early childhood;
3. is a Not-for-profit Corporation in good standing to operate in the State of Illinois; and
4. has a valid DUNS number or unique entity identifier (see 2 CFR 25.300) prior to receiving the subaward, if applicable.

A Human Services Provider is **ineligible** to receive a grant subaward from an intermediary if the provider is:

1. unable to meet the eligibility criteria set forth above;
2. an intermediary for the program at the time of application or award;
3. delinquent on payment of any State of Illinois tax obligation;
4. on the Illinois Stop Payment List, the State's debarred or suspended contractor lists, or is in default of any contractual obligation to DHS or DCEO;
5. engaged in an enterprise that is unlawful or renders the provider ineligible under applicable State or federal law; or
6. on the federal System for Award Management excluded parties list (<https://sam.gov/content/exclusions>).

Faith-Based Organizations

Human Services Providers that are faith-based organizations, to be eligible for a subaward, must use grant funds to make Capital Improvements to parts of their facility (whether the facility is owned or leased) that are used exclusively to provide human services. Grant funds may not be used for projects that provide a benefit to space used for the purpose of religious worship (e.g., chapel or sanctuary, etc.). Grant funds also may not be used to improve a facility for the benefit of members, clergy or attendees participating in religious activities (such as a parking lot or an elevator).

B. Eligible Capital Improvement Project Activities

The grant subawards shall support Capital Improvements to facilities located in Illinois and utilized by Human Services Providers to deliver services to Low-Income or Marginalized populations. The selected Intermediary will endeavor to select eligible subrecipients throughout all geographic areas of the State.

Priority Projects

Subaward applicants that demonstrate the following will receive additional credit during the application review process if the proposed project:

- Addresses "life-safety code" deficiencies (e.g., fire sprinkler/suppression systems, emergency exits, etc.);
- Will lead to an expansion of services offered to clients; or
- Is located in or provides services to individuals who reside in either a disproportionately impacted area or a qualified census tract.

"Disproportionately impacted area" means those ZIP Codes most severely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, to be determined based on positive COVID-19 case per capita rates, and that meet at least one of the following poverty-related criteria relative to other ZIP Codes within their region:

- share of population consisting of children age 6 to 17 in households with income less than 125% of the federal poverty level (FPL);
- share of population consisting of adults over age 64 in households with income less than 200% FPL;
- share of population in households with income less than 150% FPL; or

- share of population consisting of children ages 5 and under in households with income less than 185% FPL.

The State is divided into the following two regions for purposes of determining a disproportionately impacted area:

- 1) The counties of Cook, Kane, Lake, Will, and DuPage; and
- 2) All other counties within the State.

To determine a disproportionately impacted area, the poverty data points listed in this definition are compared only with the data of the zip codes of the applicable region to determine whether at least one of the poverty-related criteria is met.

"Qualified Census Tract" means a census tract, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau, having 50 percent of households with incomes below 60 percent of the Area Median Gross Income (AMGI) or having a poverty rate of 25 percent or more.

The chosen Intermediary will provide a link in the notice of funding opportunity for the subawards to assist applicants in determining whether a location is within a disproportionately impacted area or a qualified census tract. Here is a link for assistance with these determinations: <https://www.illinoisworknet.com/gctdiamap>

C. Eligible Capital Improvement Expenditures for Subawards

Expenditures for subawards must be for Capital Improvement projects in Illinois that have not yet been fully completed by the start of the subaward application period. Reimbursements for projects completed prior to the start of the subaward application period will not be permitted. For Capital Improvement projects that have commenced prior to full execution of a subaward, expenditures eligible for reimbursement will be only for services provided from the start of the subaward application period going forward if permitted by the applicable appropriation. See above for the list of eligible allowable costs for subawards.

D. Application Requirements and Merit Review of Subawards

The Intermediary shall seek information from Human Services Providers in the subaward applications, including, but not limited to the following:

1. a description of the purpose / intended activities (i.e., Scope of Work) of the grant project;
2. a detailed budget and supporting justification of the costs requested;
3. the location of the project, including a description of the facility proposed to be improved with grant funds;
4. ownership and lease information, as applicable, for the facility where the proposed project would occur. Leases should have an end date of at least 1 year after the subaward term ends and applicants will be required to provide written permission from the landlord to conduct the grant-funded activities as well as the lease agreement, which states the term;
5. a description of the Human Services Provider applicant, including, but not limited to, the history of the provider; the provider's mission and goals; the number of current staff; a list of current board members, if applicable; the populations and geographic areas served by the provider; the existing linkages or partnerships with other community resources or organizations; how the populations served by the applicant meet the definition of Low-income or Marginalized, including approximate percentages of individuals

served within each category; and the core DHS programs or areas for which the applicant provides services, including a description of the programs and services provided by the applicant and the length of time the applicant has provided the services;

6. a description of the participants served by the Human Services Provider's program(s) including:
 - a. a description of any eligibility criteria for participation in the program(s) (e.g., income level, age, employment status, etc.); a description of how participants are identified or recruited, or who refers participants to the organization for services; if services cannot be provided to all that apply, a description of the manner in which participants are selected (e.g., standardized testing; first-come, first-served); and a description of the costs to participants for these programs and services, and specify whether a sliding scale (e.g., cost for services is reduced or waived, based on income or ability to pay) is enacted.
7. the public purpose and public benefit of the project;
8. the financial need of the Human Services Provider for the grant funds;
9. a description of additional funding sources the provider is receiving or requesting for the project, if any;
10. an estimated timeline for completion of the project;
11. statement regarding whether the applicant will have the ability to deliver services at its facility if the proposed project is not completed;
12. a description of whether the applicant has received prior grant awards from DCEO or DHS and the applicant's grant performance under these awards, if applicable;
13. an explanation of how the applicant will be able to administer and complete the project within the allowable grant period; and
14. any additional information required to demonstrate or support the information submitted by the applicant for the proposed project.

In evaluating subaward applications and making recommendations to DCEO and DHS, the Intermediary will consider the following criteria:

1. Whether the applicant meets the eligibility criteria;
2. The financial needs of the applicant;
3. Whether the project is an eligible Capital Improvement project activity;
4. Whether the proposed project expenditures are eligible and will comply with the Uniform Guidance and all other applicable federal and State laws;
5. Whether the proposed project is among the priorities identified in this NOFO (see Section A.2.B, above);
6. The ability of the applicant to deliver services at its facility if the proposed project is not completed;

7. The applicant's performance of prior grants awarded by DCEO or DHS, if applicable; and
8. The ability of the applicant to administer and complete the project within the allowable grant period.

For projects and applicants that meet all the eligibility requirements listed above, grant subawards will be prioritized for applicants with the most financial need for the grant funds and therefore, this criterion will be weighted most heavily during the merit review process.

E. Grant Performance, Administration, Monitoring and Reporting Requirements

The Intermediary must comply with all GATA and DCEO requirements set forth in the grant agreement for grant performance, administration, audits, monitoring and reporting. The Intermediary will be required to gather and report to DCEO detailed information on the subawards issued to Human Services Providers.

The Intermediary shall comply with, and shall be responsible for compliance by the subrecipients, with all applicable State and federal laws, including, but not limited to the following:

- Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/0.01 *et seq.*);
- The Illinois Works Jobs Program Act (30 ILCS 559/20);
- Business Enterprise Program for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act (30 ILCS 575/0.01 *et seq.*);
- Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act (30 ILCS 570/0.01 *et seq.*);
- Environmental Protection Act (415 ILCS 5/1 *et seq.*);
- Illinois Endangered Species Protection Act (520 ILCS 10/1 *et seq.*);
- Illinois Natural Areas Preservation Act (525 ILCS 30/1 *et seq.*);
- Interagency Wetland Policy Act of 1989 (20 ILCS 830/1-1 *et seq.*); and
- Illinois State Agency Historic Resources Preservation Act (20 ILCS 3420/1 *et seq.*).

The Intermediary also shall assist subrecipients in obtaining all approvals for the program as may be required by State agencies.

3. Timelines, Milestones, Deliverables and Performance Measures

Estimated Timeline

The Intermediary must be able to provide technical assistance webinars in or around May 2022, accept applications from Human Services Providers in or around May and June 2022, review applications in or around July and August 2022, issue the first subawards in or around September 2022, and have all subaward agreements up to \$15 million executed and issued by approximately October 31, 2022. Success for this grant program will be measured by the ability of the Intermediary to issue subawards for eligible grant activities according to the timeline set by the Department in the grant agreements and to ensure subrecipient compliance with program requirements set forth in this NOFO, the program statute and administrative rules. This estimated timeline will be subject to change based on the timing and issuance of the two grant awards to the Intermediary.

Reporting

The Intermediary will be required to report to DCEO on the performance and expenditure of funds for administration of the program and on the performance and expenditures for the subaward projects, including identifying the projects that meet the priorities identified in Section A.2.B, above.

Business Enterprise Program

The award to the Intermediary for **Capital Improvement Projects Award for Subawards to Human Services Providers** will include a Business Enterprise Program goal for those subawards that meet the \$250,000 threshold, as required by State law (30 ILCS 105/45; 30 ILCS 575/0.01 *et seq*). The law establishes a goal for contracting with businesses that have been certified as owned or controlled by persons who are minority, female, or who have disabilities¹. The final BEP goal will be determined at the time the subaward agreement is issued. Those subrecipient awards that do not meet the \$250,000 threshold will be encouraged, through technical assistance led by the Intermediary with assistance from DCEO, to utilize qualified state, county, or municipal BEP, minority business enterprise (MBE), women business enterprise (WBE), veterans or disabled vendors (hereafter "BEP") for Capital Improvement projects funded under this program.

See Section F.2, below, for additional Illinois statutory requirements for the subawards. The Intermediary will be responsible for providing technical assistance and monitoring subrecipient compliance for each of these requirements.

B. Funding Information

This grant program is utilizing State funds appropriated by the Illinois General Assembly through Public Act 102-0017. Applications for an Intermediary will be accepted by the deadline set forth in this NOFO.

Program funding: DCEO anticipates selecting one Intermediary/Grantee to administer the program for the subawards to Human Services Providers. The Intermediary will execute two grant agreements as follows:

1. The total amount of grant funds available for administration and subrecipient technical assistance will be up to \$1,500,000, which will originate from the Department of Human Services operating funds through a grant agreement executed and managed by DCEO. These funds may only be used for administrative expenditures of the Intermediary needed to manage this program.
2. The total amount of grant funds available for Capital Improvement project subawards to Human Services Providers is \$15,000,000, which was appropriated to DCEO from the Rebuild Illinois Projects Fund. The permitted amounts of each subaward must range from \$50,000 to \$250,000. These funds may only be used for Capital Improvement expenditures and may not be used for administrative or operational costs, including indirect costs.

Allowable costs: Allowable cost categories are set forth in section A.1, above and must be necessary, reasonable and allocable based on activities contained in the scope of work. Funding is subject to State legislative appropriation.

Grant award and payment terms: The successful applicant will be invited to negotiate two grant agreements with DCEO. The executed grant agreements will specify conditions for payment and a payment schedule. In general, the Intermediary will receive payments on a reimbursement basis.

Grant extensions: DCEO may authorize the extension of the administrative costs grant award to the Intermediary and the Capital Improvement grant for subawards based on performance.

Applicants must submit a project narrative that describes in detail how the award will be executed. The project narrative should include enough information for DCEO to understand the scope of the project, the budget, including a detailed breakdown of the costs associated with each budget line and any additional necessary detail to enable DCEO to manage the grant agreement activity against planned project performance. The Project Narrative must include evidence of capacity, quality and need as defined in Section E.1.

¹ [A list of state approved vendors is maintained by CMS: https://cms.diversitycompliance.com/](https://cms.diversitycompliance.com/)

Agreement(s) and budget(s) with subrecipients and subcontractors must be pre-approved by and on file with DCEO. Agreements can be submitted to DCEO when available. Subcontractors and subrecipients are subject to all applicable provisions of the Agreement(s) executed between DCEO and the grantee. The successful applicant shall retain sole responsibility for the performance of its subrecipient(s) and/or subcontractor(s).

The release of this NOFO does not obligate the Department to make an award.

C. Eligibility Information

An entity must be registered in the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA) Grantee Portal, <https://grants.illinois.gov/portal/>, at the time of grant application. The portal will verify that the entity:

- Has a valid FEIN number;
- Has a valid DUNS number;
- Has a current SAM.gov account;
- Is not on the Federal Excluded Parties List;
- Is in Good Standing with the Illinois Secretary of State, as applicable;
- Is not on the Illinois Stop Payment list; and
- Is not on the Department of Healthcare and Family Services Provider Sanctions list.

Marking SAM.gov registrations as “public” will allow the GATA Grantee Portal to expedite the review of the federal information. Making the SAM.gov registration “private” will not prevent the review; however, it will slow down the review process.

Entities on the Illinois Stop Payment List and/or the Federal Excluded Parties List at time of application submission will not be considered for an award.

An automated email notification to the entity alerts them of “qualified” status or informs how to remediate a negative verification (e.g., inactive DUNS, not in good standing with the Secretary of State). A federal Debarred and Suspended status cannot be remediated.

Pursuant to the policy of the Illinois Office of the Comptroller, to receive grant funds from the State of Illinois, a grantee must be considered a regarded entity by the IRS for federal income tax purposes. Disregarded entities will not be eligible to receive grant funds.

1. Eligible Applicants include:

For the Intermediary grant awards, any organization that meets the criteria listed below may apply.

An organization is eligible to receive grant awards as an Intermediary to provide subawards to Human Services Providers if the organization:

- a) is in good standing to operate in the State of Illinois;
- b) has demonstrated experience administering grants for construction or other capital projects in Illinois;
- c) has the capacity to administer a large volume of subawards;

- d) has an active GATA registration and is qualified on the GATA Grantee Portal (<https://grants.illinois.gov/portal/>) at the time of application submission²; and
- e) is considered a regarded entity by the Internal Revenue Service for federal income tax purposes.

The Department complies with all applicable provisions of state and federal laws and regulations pertaining to nondiscrimination, sexual harassment and equal employment opportunity including, but not limited to: The Illinois Human Rights Act (775 ILCS 5/1-101 et seq.), The Public Works Employment Discrimination Act (775 ILCS 10/1 et seq.), The United States Civil Rights Act of 1964 (as amended) (42 USC 2000a-and 2000H-6), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC 794), The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 USC 12101 et seq.), and The Age Discrimination Act (42 USC 6101 et seq.).

2. Cost Sharing or Matching.

There are no cost sharing or matching requirements for this notice of funding opportunity. However, if project costs will required funding from other source for project completion a description of those sources and the availability must be included in the project description.

3. Indirect Cost Rate.

Indirect costs will only be permitted on the grant award issued to the Intermediary, which covers up to \$1,500,000 in administrative costs to manage the program. The Capital Improvements grant to the Intermediary, as well as the subawards to Human Services Providers will not be permitted to charge indirect costs to the grant because the Program and funding is limited to Capital Improvement expenses. Neither the Capital Improvements grant nor the subawards will compensate the Intermediary or subrecipients for indirect costs, overhead or administrative expenses associated with the execution of the program.

In order to charge indirect costs to the Intermediary administrative costs grant, the applicant organization must have an annually negotiated indirect cost rate agreement (NICRA). There are three types of NICRAs:

a) Federally Negotiated Rate. Organizations that receive direct federal funding, may have an indirect cost rate that was negotiated with the Federal Cognizant Agency. Illinois will accept the federally negotiated rate. The organization must provide a copy of the federally NICRA.

b) State Negotiated Rate. The organization may negotiate an indirect cost rate with the State of Illinois if they do not have a Federally Negotiated Rate. If an organization has not previously established an indirect cost rate, an indirect cost rate proposal must be submitted through the State of Illinois' centralized indirect cost rate system no later than three months after receipt of a Notice of State Award (NOSA). If an organization previously established an indirect cost rate, the organization must annually submit a new indirect cost proposal through CARS within six to nine months after the close of the grantee's fiscal year, depending on the grantee's audit type requirements.

c) De Minimis Rate. An organization may elect a de minimis rate of 10% of modified total direct cost (MTDC). Once established, the De Minimis Rate may be used indefinitely. The State of Illinois must verify the calculation of the MTDC annually in order to accept the De Minimis Rate.

² Per federal government memorandum M-20-21, which the State of Illinois applies to both federal and State-funded grants, temporary flexibility will be permitted for the requirement that SAM.gov registration must be completed and active at the time of application. At the time of the award, the requirement continues to apply.

All grantees must complete an indirect cost rate negotiation or elect the De Minimis Rate to claim indirect costs. Indirect costs claimed without a negotiated rate or a De Minimis Rate election on record in the State of Illinois' centralized indirect cost rate system may be subject to disallowance.

Grantees have discretion and can elect to waive payment for indirect costs. Grantees that elect to waive payments for indirect costs cannot be reimbursed for indirect costs. The organization must record an election to "Waive Indirect Costs" into the State of Illinois' centralized indirect cost rate system.

State universities may request an indirect cost rate of 10% for awards or programs administered off-campus and a 20% rate for awards or programs administered on-campus due to the State of Illinois' continuous funding of a portion of facility and administrative costs. The base will be the base approved in the State universities' current federal NICRA.

4. Other, if applicable.

Applicants may only submit (1) one application package for this program, but two separate budgets will be required for each application package, which represents the funding for the two component grant awards.

D. Application and Submission Information

1. Address to Request Application Package.

Grant application forms are available at the web link provided in the "Grant Application Link" field of this announcement or by contacting the Program Manager:

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Office of Grants Management
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Mobile: 217-685-1197
Office: 217-524-5199
Email: david.parr@illinois.gov

2. Content and Form of Application Submission.

A standard application package must be submitted and reviewed by the Department. Each package should contain the following items:

- ☐ Uniform Grant Application in fillable PDF format. Application must be printed, signed and scanned, and included with submission.
- ☐ Two (2) Uniform Budgets utilizing the templates provided by DCEO for this project. The entire budget with all worksheets included even if the worksheets are not relevant to the grant opportunity must be submitted with the application materials. Budgets must be printed, signed, scanned and included with submission.

Award #1 (administrative expenses): The budget template for this award shall include details in the narrative sections for each allowable line item for which the applicant would expend funds which justifies each cost, including how each cost is calculated. Applicants may provide supplemental pages and refer to the supplement in the narratives of the line item.

Award #2 (subawards to Human Services Providers): The entire \$15,000,000 Capital Improvements grant award for subawards to Human Services Providers should be

reflected in the "Contractual/Subawards" budget line item. This amount is pre-filled in this budget template with a narrative already provided. Applicants only have to complete the information regarding the organization and sign and date the budget certification form. The successful Intermediary will be expected to use a capital budget template for the subawards provided by the Department and report to the Department on the exact capital expenditures by budget line item for each subrecipient.

- ☐ Conflict of Interest Disclosure
- ☐ Mandatory Disclosures

Additional Application Package Requirements

- ☐ Project Narrative: A project narrative is required. There is a template provided as an attachment to this NOFO, which requests the following information:
 - A description of the structure of the applicant organization, including: identification of the organization's leadership team and a description of their responsibilities; a summary of the organization's core skills and competencies; identification of relevant experience and skill sets of staff who will be assigned responsibility over the program; and other factors that make the applicant organization well-suited for overseeing a grant program for capital improvement projects;
 - A description of the applicant's experience working with Human Services Providers and Low-income or Marginalized populations;
 - A description of the applicant's administrative capacity to manage a grant program, including: the organization's experience overseeing grant programs pertaining to economic development or capital improvement projects; and a demonstration that the applicant has a good understanding of the Human Services Capital Investment Grant Program requirements and will commit resources necessary to successfully complete responsibilities;
 - A narrative explaining how the organization would be capable of administering a program statewide;
 - A description of the applicant's ability and plan to offer technical assistance to Human Services Provider subrecipients and applicants in a manner that does not create an actual or potential conflict of interest including, but not limited to:
 - Assisting with Human Services Provider eligibility determinations;
 - Completing applications;
 - Assistance obtaining DUNS or unique entity identifiers, as applicable;
 - Assistance with Illinois statutory mandates compliance, including, BEP, Illinois Works Jobs Program Act Apprenticeship Goal, and environmental reviews;
 - Encouraging applicants and subrecipients to utilize BEP vendors, even if not required;
 - Procurement policies and procurement of vendors;
 - Allowability of costs;
 - Proper expenditure support documentation;
 - Reporting requirements; and
 - Records retention.
 - A description of the applicant's plan for the subaward application process, evaluating and selecting applications from Human Services Providers, disbursing grant funds and timelines for the subaward application and selection processes;

- A description of the applicant's understanding of the laws and rules applicable to State Capital Improvement projects; and
 - A description of how the applicant will manage and oversee a large number of subawards to Human Services Providers successful grant outcomes.
- ☐ Resumes of Program Staff: Grant applications must include the resumes of key program staff that demonstrate capacity to complete the work outlined in the application.
 - ☐ Agreements with Contractors or Subrecipients: If the applicant will be sharing responsibilities for some of the grant project with one or more organizations, the applicant must submit agreements with the other organizations demonstrating the intent to provide the services if the applicant receives the grant award.
 - ☐ Proof of Good Standing: Intermediary applicants must include documentation demonstrating that the applicant is in good standing to operate in the State of Illinois, including but not limited to, proof of current registration with all government entities the applicant is required to register with in order to operate.
 - ☐ Additional Support Documentation: Intermediary applicants shall provide any additional documentation required to demonstrate or support the information submitted by the applicant for the proposed project.
 - ☐ Internal Revenue Service Letter: Applicants must provide a current letter from the Internal Revenue Service that verifies the information listed on the W-9.
 - ☐ Internal Revenue Service Form W-9: Applicants need to complete and sign this form.

3. Dun and Bradstreet Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number and System for Award Management (SAM)

Each applicant (unless the applicant is an individual or Federal or State awarding agency that is exempt from those requirements under 2 CFR 25.110(b) or (c), or has an exception approved by the Federal or State awarding agency under 2 CFR 25.110(d)) is required to:

1. Be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) before submitting its application. To establish a SAM registration, go to www.SAM.gov and/or utilize this instructional link: www.grants.illinois.gov Resource Links tab. Please note, making SAM.gov registrations "public" will expedite the GATA Grantee Portal pre-qualification process.
2. Provide a valid DUNS number in its application, which matches the DUNS number used in both the applicant entity's SAM registration and GATA Grantee Portal registration.
3. Continue to maintain an active SAM registration with current information at all times during which it has an active Federal, Federal pass-through or State award or an application or plan under consideration by a Federal or State awarding agency. The State awarding agency may not make a Federal pass-through or State award to an applicant until the applicant has complied with all applicable DUNS and SAM requirements and, if an applicant has not fully complied with the requirements by the time the State awarding agency is ready to make a Federal pass-through or State award, the State awarding agency may determine that the applicant is not qualified to receive a Federal pass-through or State award and use that determination as a basis for making a Federal pass-through or State award to another applicant.

4. Submission Dates and Times.

Application deadline: The application and all required documentation shall be submitted must be received no later than 5:00 p.m.(Central Time) on April 15, 2022. The Department will send an email to the applicant contact acknowledging receipt of applications.

Application materials must be submitted to the Department via electronic form at: <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/9101dc7faf2d4e71aad5cf5139f14b6d>. The Department is under no obligation to review applications that do not comply with the above requirements.

Failure to meet the application deadline may result in the Department returning application without review or may preclude the Department from making the award.

5. Intergovernmental Review, if applicable.

This funding opportunity is not subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

6. Funding Restrictions.

Human Services Capital Investment Grant Program: All applicants, grant recipients and subrecipients must be in compliance with the funding requirements set forth in the Human Services Capital Investment Grant Program statute (20 ILCS 605/605-1030) and rules (proposed rules: 14 Ill. Admin. Code Part 670 published at 46 Ill. Reg. 665 on January 7, 2022: https://www.ilsos.gov/departments/index/register/volume46/register_volume46_issue_2.pdf).

Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements/Grant Accountability and Transparency Act: All applicants and grant recipients and subrecipients must be in compliance with the Uniform Administrative Requirements located at 2 CFR Parts 25, 170, 183 and 200 as applicable through the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (30 ILCS 708; 44 Ill. Admin. Code Part 7000).

Intermediary Grant Award

Administrative costs

Administrative, operational and indirect costs are permitted for the grant awarded to the Intermediary for administrative costs to manage the subawards to Human Services Providers. Expenditures for capital improvements or purchases of real property are not allowed.

Pre-award costs

Pre-award costs are incurred at the applicant's own risk and will not be funded if an award is not made. Pre-award costs for services in anticipation of an award may be allocable, where necessary, for the efficient and timely performance of the program and are subject to 2 CFR 200.458 and where permitted in the final executed grant agreement after written approval by DCEO. Costs associated with the development of the application are not allowed.

Subawards to Human Services Providers

Administrative costs

Administrative, operational and indirect costs, including, but not limited to, utilities, personnel, insurance, and debt obligations, are not permitted expenditures for subawards received by Human Services Providers.

Pre-award costs

Pre-award costs are incurred at the Human Services Provider applicant's own risk and will not be funded if an award is not made. Pre-award costs for services in anticipation of an award may be allocable, where necessary, for the efficient and timely performance of the program and are subject to 2 CFR 200.458 and where permitted in the final executed subaward agreement after written approval by DCEO. Costs associated with the development of the application are not allowed. For Capital Improvement projects that have commenced prior to full execution of a subaward, expenditures eligible for reimbursement will be only for services provided from the start of the subaward application period going forward if permitted by the applicable appropriation.

7. Other Submission Requirements.

Application materials must be submitted to the Department via electronic form at:
<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/9101dc7faf2d4e71aad5cf5139f14b6d>.

Additional Application Information: The Department reserves the right to request additional information from applicants to evaluate applications. The Department, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to reject all applications, to reject individual applications for failure to meet any requirement, to award in part or in total, and to waive minor defects and non-compliance. DCEO or DHS staff may contact the applicants to request information on a quick turnaround (generally 48 hours) to resolve technical questions including, technical or administrative clarifications, missing or incomplete components, and technical transmission errors.

Electronic submissions including links to documents stored in Google Docs or other cloud-based servers are not allowed.

E. Application Review Information.

1. Criteria.

Grant proposals will be reviewed on a competitive basis. Each proposal will be scored on a 100- point scale. A team consisting of representatives from both DCEO and DHS will review applications for the Intermediary awards. The agencies shall consider the following criteria when evaluating the application submittal:

(40 points) Capacity – Up to 40 points will be awarded for demonstrated grant administration experience, including:

- The ability to issue large numbers of grants for eligible Capital Improvement projects and disburse funds in a timely manner while following all program requirements;
- The ability of the organization to administer a program statewide;
- The ability to perform all Intermediary responsibilities within the estimated timeframes set forth in this NOFO; and
- The ability to provide effective oversight and technical assistance to Human Services Provider applicants and subrecipients to promote a successful program.

Consideration will be given to the expertise of both the applicant organization and individuals identified as project leaders in the proposal.

(20 points) Need – Up to 20 points will be awarded for demonstrated experience relevant to the Human Services Capital Investment Grant Program, including:

- Demonstrated understanding of or experience working with Human Services Providers or Low-income or Marginalized populations; and
- Demonstrated knowledge of State of Illinois requirements for Capital Improvement grants funded by the Rebuild Illinois Projects Fund.

(40 points) Quality of Proposal – Up to 40 points will be awarded based on the quality of the plans specified in the proposal for achieving the goals of the Human Services Capital Investment Grant Program. The proposal should describe the applicant's plans for the following:

- Budget: A sufficiently detailed budget that includes only eligible expenditures and demonstrates efficient use of funds that aligns properly with the program goals;
- Subaward program: The ability to establish a grant application and subaward process, including disbursement of funds, that is clear and simple for applicants to apply, while following all program requirements. The applicant should specify how to accommodate Human Services Providers which may need extra assistance with

- the processes;
- **BEP Inclusion:** Demonstrates ability to encourage subrecipients to use BEP vendors and to apply the BEP requirement to those subawards that meet the \$250,000 threshold.
- **Project Selection:** Effective and timely evaluations of proposed subaward projects that are eligible, and an efficient process for sending recommendations to DCEO and DHS for final subaward selection.
- **Project Oversight:** Effective oversight and assistance for subaward applicants and subrecipients, as needed to promote a successful program. Oversight includes program compliance as well as gathering and reporting to DCEO detailed information on the subawards issued to Human Services Providers, including, but not limited to, expenditures, project performance and compliance with program requirements.
- **Technical Assistance:** Plans for robust technical assistance webinars and one-on-one assistance for Human Services Providers for all aspects of the program from program eligibility through subaward closeouts and records retention requirements in a manner that does not create an actual or potential conflict of interest.

2. Review and Selection Process.

Applications will be graded using the Merit Review Process and scored on the criteria specified in Section E.1. DCEO and DHS will designate an Evaluation Committee to grade each application received for this funding opportunity. The final score of each Committee member will be calculated and an average of all scores will be the final applicant score. Each applicant will then be ranked by their score.

The Merit Based Review process is subject to appeal. However, evaluation scores cannot be appealed. The appeal must be submitted in writing to the Department within 14 calendar days after the date that the grant award notice has been published. The written appeal shall include the name and address of the appealing party, the identification of the grant and a statement of reasons for the appeal. To file an appeal, applicants must submit the appeal in writing and in accordance with the Merit-Based Application Review Appeals Process listed on the Grant Opportunities page of the DCEO website:
<https://www2.illinois.gov/dceo/AboutDCEO/GrantOpportunities/Pages/MeritAppReview.aspx>.

3. Anticipated Announcement and State Award Dates, if applicable.

The Department anticipates sending Notices of State Award by approximately May 15, 2022 to May 31, 2022, but reserves the right to issue a reduced award, or not to issue any award.

F. Award Administration Information

1. State Award Notices.

The Notice of State Award (NOSA) will specify the funding terms and specific conditions resulting from the pre-award risk assessments and the merit based review process. The NOSA must be accepted in the GATA Portal by an authorized representative of the grantee organization. The NOSA is not an authorization to begin performance or incur costs.

Unsuccessful applicants will be notified.

2. Administrative and National Policy Requirements.

Grant Uniform Requirements: The Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (30 ILCS 708/1 *et seq.*) (and its related administrative rules, 44 Ill. Admin. Code Part 7000), was enacted to increase the accountability and transparency in the use of grant funds from whatever source and to reduce administrative burdens on both State agencies and grantees by adopting federal

guidance and regulations applicable to those grant funds; specifically, the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (2 CFR 200).

Procurement: Grantees will be required to adhere to methods of procurement per the Procurement Standards (2 CFR 200.317 – 2 CFR 200.327).

***Business Enterprise Program:** For grant awards of \$250,000 or more, grantees will be required to comply with the Business Enterprise Program for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act (30 ILCS 575/0.01 *et seq.*), which establishes a goal for contracting with businesses that have been certified as owned and controlled by persons who are minority, female or who have disabilities. The Department and the Capital Development Board will work with the grantees to ensure compliance prior to the establishment of the grant agreement as well as through the life of the grant.

Environmental Review Requirements: Capital grants will be reviewed to determine environmental review requirements. Based on the scope of the project, the grantees may be required to complete additional environmental approvals before a grant agreement can be initiated.

***Illinois Works Jobs Program Act (30 ILCS 559/20-1 *et seq.*):** For grants with an estimated total project cost of \$500,000 or more, the grantee will be required to comply with the Illinois Works Apprenticeship Initiative (30 ILCS 559/20-20 to 20-25) and all applicable administrative rules. The “estimated total project cost” is a good faith approximation of the costs of an entire project being paid for in whole or in part by appropriated capital funds to construct a public work. The goal of the Illinois Apprenticeship Initiative is that apprentices will perform either 10% of the total labor hours actually worked in each prevailing wage classification or 10% of the estimated labor hours in each prevailing wage classification, whichever is less. Grantees will be permitted to seek from the Department a waiver or reduction of this goal in certain circumstances pursuant to 30 ILCS 559/20-20(b). The grantee must ensure compliance for the life of the entire project, including during the term of the grant and after the term ends, if applicable, and will be required to report on and certify its compliance.

Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/0.01 *et seq.*): Applicants that are awarded grants shall comply with all requirements of the Prevailing Wage Act, including but not limited to, inserting into all contracts for construction a stipulation to the effect that not less than the prevailing rate of wages as applicable to the project shall be paid to all laborers, workers, and mechanics performing work under the award and requiring all bonds of contractors to include a provision as will guarantee the faithful performance of such prevailing wage clause as provided by contract. Grantees will be required to report on Prevailing Wage Act compliance on a monthly basis.

Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act (30 ILCS 570/0.01 *et seq.*): All grantees will be required to comply with the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act (30 ILCS 570/0.01 *et seq.*) (the “Act”), which provides that whenever there is a period of excessive unemployment in Illinois (as defined by the Act), if the Grantee is using Grant Funds for (1) constructing or building any public works, or (2) performing the clean-up and on-site disposal of hazardous waste for the State of Illinois or any political subdivision of the State, then the Grantee shall employ at least 90% Illinois laborers on such project. Illinois laborers refers to any person who has resided in Illinois for at least 30 days and intends to become or remain an Illinois resident. Grantees may receive an exception from this requirement by submitting a request and supporting documents certifying that Illinois laborers are either not available, or are incapable of performing the particular type of work involved. The certification must: (a) be submitted to the grant manager within the first quarter of the Award Term; (b) provide sufficient support that demonstrates the exception is met; (c) be signed by an authorized signatory of the Grantee; and (d) be approved by DCEO in consultation with the Illinois Department of Labor. In addition, every contractor on a public works project or improvement or hazardous waste clean-up and on-site disposal project in this State may place on such work no more than 3 (or 6 in the case of a hazardous waste clean-up and on-site disposal project) of the contractor’s regularly employed non-resident executive and technical experts.

*The requirements and goals of the Business Enterprise Program and the Illinois Works Jobs Program Act will only apply to subawards in the amount of \$250,000. All other subawards will be encouraged and assisted by the Intermediary to contract with BEP-certified vendors. The requirements of the Business Enterprise Program, the Illinois Works Jobs Program Act, Prevailing Wage Act, Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act and Environmental Review do not apply to the administrative grant award to the Intermediary; however, the Intermediary will be responsible for compliance by the subrecipients, as applicable.

3. Reporting.

Subaward Reporting

The Intermediary will be required to gather and report to DCEO on Periodic Performance Reports and Periodic Performance Reports detailed information on the subawards issued to Human Services Providers, including, but not limited to, expenditures, project performance and compliance with program requirements.

Periodic Performance Report (PPR) and Periodic Financial Report (PFR)

Grantees funded through this NOFO are required to submit in the format required by the Grantor, at least on a quarterly basis, the PPR and PFR electronically to their assigned grant manager. The first of such reports shall cover the first three months after the award begins. Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.328, Periodic Financial Reports shall be submitted no later than 30 calendar days following the period covered by the report. Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.329, Periodic Performance Reports shall be submitted no later than 30 calendar days following the period covered by the report. Any additional reporting requirements will be disclosed in the NOSA. Grantees are required within 45 calendar days following the end of the period of performance to submit a final closeout report in the format required by the Grantor (See 2 CFR 200.344).

Monitoring

Grantees funded through this NOFO are subject to fiscal and programmatic monitoring visits by the Department in accordance with 2 CFR 200.337. They must have an open-door policy allowing periodic visits by Department monitors to evaluate the progress of the project and provide documentation upon request of the monitor. Program staff will also maintain contact with participants and monitor progress and performance of the contracts. The Department may modify grants based on performance.

Audit

Grantees shall be subject to Illinois' statewide Audit Report Review requirements. Terms of the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 (31 USC 7501-7507), Subpart F of 2 CFR Part 200, and the audit rules set forth under the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act shall apply (See 30 ILCS 708/65(c)).

G. State Awarding Agency Contact(s)

See Section D.1, above.

H. Other Information, if applicable

Additional Assessments

Intermediary applicants will be asked to complete a programmatic risk assessment to consider grant-specific risks. This assessment will be administered by DCEO towards the end of the application review process. Program staff will then determine whether any risk-based conditions from the programmatic risk assessment, merit-based review of the application materials, and the internal controls questionnaire (completed as part of the State of Illinois GATA registration) shall be incorporated into the grant agreement.

Records Retention

The Intermediary grantee and subrecipients shall maintain, for three (3) years from the date of submission of the final expenditure report, adequate books, all financial records and supporting documents, statistical records, and all other records pertinent to the program unless a different timeframe is required by 44 Ill. Admin. Code 7000.430(a), (b) and set forth in the grant agreement. If any litigation, claim or audit is started before the expiration of the retention period, the records must be retained until all litigation, claims or audit exceptions involving the records have been resolved and final action taken. The Intermediary shall be responsible for ensuring that contractors and subrecipients comply with the retention requirements.

APPENDIX A

HUMAN SERVICES CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM

NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

DEFINITIONS OF TERMS

"Agencies" means DCEO and DHS, collectively.

"Bondable Capital Improvements" means a specific class of capital improvement projects eligible to be funded by the Build Illinois Bond Fund and which meet the requirements of the Build Illinois Bond Act [30 ILCS 425/1 et seq.].

"Build Illinois" means the Build Illinois Bond Fund [30 ILCS 105/5.160].

"Capital improvement" means a project with a purpose to physically expand or physically improve upon a facility owned or leased by a human services provider.

"Community-based provider" means a not-for-profit corporation (which may include a faith-based organization), that is representative of a community or a significant segment of a community and provides services directly to low-income or marginalized populations.

"DCEO" means the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

"DHS" means the Department of Human Services.

"DUNS Number" means a unique nine-digit identification number provided by Dun & Bradstreet for each physical location of an organization.

"GATA" means the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act [30 ILCS 708].

"GATA Rule" means the administrative rules of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget found at 44 Ill. Adm. Code 7000.

"Grantee" means any human services provider applicant for a grant award under this program whose proposal is funded by DCEO either directly or through a subaward issued by an intermediary.

"Human Services Provider" means a not-for-profit corporation in good standing to operate in the State of Illinois that provides services directly to low-income or marginalized populations in one of the core program divisions of DHS – mental health, rehabilitation services, substance use prevention and recovery, family and community services, developmental disabilities, early childhood and any additional core program areas DHS creates. A "human services provider" is not required to be a current or former recipient of grant funds from DHS. A "human services provider" includes, but is not limited to, domestic violence shelters; rape crisis centers; comprehensive youth centers; Teen Responsibility, Education, Achievement, Caring and Hope (Teen REACH) providers; supportive housing providers; developmental disability community providers; behavioral health providers; and other community-based providers [20 ILCS 605/605-1030(a)].

"Intermediary" means an organization in good standing to operate in the State of Illinois, secured through an agreement with DCEO, to provide assistance for administration of the program which may include issuing subawards to eligible human services providers.

"Low-income" means an individual who:

receives, or in the past 6 months has received, or is a member of a family that is receiving or in the past 6 months has received, assistance through:

the supplemental nutrition assistance program established under:
the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011),
the program of block grants to States for temporary assistance for needy families
program under Title IV of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 601),
the supplemental security income program established under Title XVI of the
Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1381), or
State or local income-based public assistance;

is in a family with total family income that does not exceed the higher of:
the poverty line; or
70 percent of the lower living standard income level;

is a homeless individual (as defined in 34 U.S.C. 12473(6)), or a homeless child or youth (as
defined in 42 U.S.C. 11434a(2));

receives or is eligible to receive a free or reduced price lunch under the Richard B. Russell
National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751);

is a foster child on behalf of whom State or local government payments are made; or

is an individual with a disability whose own income meets the requirements of this definition;
however, the individual is permitted to be a member of a family whose income does not meet
these requirements.

"Lower living standard income level" means that income level (adjusted for regional, metropolitan, urban,
and rural differences and family size) determined annually by the U.S. Secretary of Labor.

"Marginalized" means individuals, groups and communities that have experienced disparities or
disadvantages in obtaining assistance or services.

"Not-for-profit corporation" means an organization that is registered as a not-for-profit corporation and is
in good standing with the Illinois Secretary of State.

"Poverty line" means the level of income (as defined by the Office of Management and Budget, and
revised annually in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 9902(2)) applicable to a family of the size involved.

"Program" means the Human Services Capital Investment Grant Program.

"Public assistance" means federal, State, or local government cash payments for which eligibility is
determined by a needs or income test.

"Rebuild Illinois" means the Rebuild Illinois Projects Fund.

"State" means the State of Illinois.

"Subaward" means a grant award provided by an intermediary to a human services provider for the
purpose of carrying out a capital improvement project.

"Uniform Guidance" means the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit
Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 CFR 200.